

**Candidate: Candace Luther    Office: Manatee Co Commission Dist 6**

**Party: NPA**

**Constitutionally Limited Government:** \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment: TPM Score: 1**

This candidate is a gun owner.

Otherwise, nothing found. Our vetting process gives the candidate the benefit of the doubt, while keeping in mind the candidate's party's platform.

**Pro-life: TPM Score: 0**

Nothing found. Our vetting process gives the candidate the benefit of the doubt, while keeping in mind the candidate's party's platform.

**Immigration: TPM Score: 0**

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**Fiscal Responsibility: Taxes/Spending TPM Score: 0** \_\_\_\_\_

Luther says, "I am an environmentalist, an animal advocate, and a citizen activist." She wants "an overhaul of the Animal Services Division."

<http://www.lwvmanatee.org/VG%20General.pdf>

Advocated an unworkable, unwieldy taxpayer-paid solution to homelessness, "the person could register to participate...and sign up on an online calendar for a certain job on certain days."

<http://www.heraldtribune.com/news/20181002/manatee-county-district-6-at-large-qampa-with-candace-luther>

**Free Market Solutions:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Educ choice: TPM Score: 0**

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**Healthcare: TPM Score: 0**

Nothing found. Our vetting process gives the candidate the benefit of the doubt, while keeping in mind the candidate's party's platform.

**Pro-Biz: TPM Score: 1**

Against Mosaic

<https://www.thescoopradioshow.com/candace-luther-for-manatee-county-commissioner-chronicles-the-devastating-impact-that-mosaic-is-having-on-the-gulf/>

"I thought the flyover was a great idea...this would benefit the downtown businesses."

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## Candidate's Top 3 Issues:

Question: If you could change one thing in Manatee County, what would it be?

Luther's answer: "To end phosphate mining in Manatee County once and for all."

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2. Stop rezoning to increase the density of developments.

3. Animal services needs a complete overhaul

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## Total TPM Score: 2

## Summary Comments:

Whitmore votes to raise taxes. For example "Whitmore **voted to impose (the controversial half-cent sales tax)** (2014). According to a 2014 news article, Whitmore has **voted to unleash a flood of spending destined to fatten the wallets of special interests**"

Whitmore was a **Democrat well into her adult life**, and while she served as Holmes Beach mayor: "Activist Donna Hayes said of Whitmore, (T)hat's back when she was a Democrat. She didn't understand Republican politics at the time, though in my opinion, she doesn't understand them any better today."

But of herself, Whitmore wrote, "I am for free enterprise, low taxes and don't support government intrusion and this is what out tea party founders platform started on." She has difficulty holding on to her values.

Admirably, Carol Whitmore has served many years in many civic roles. However, she has a record that marks her as a RINO, despite her insistence she is conservative (see her email, at the end of her documented sheet). Conservative Donna Hayes' calling her out for lying ("it's second nature to her") is alarming, too.

Unfortunately, Whitmore's opponent, Candace Luther, is a self-described "environmentalist, an animal advocate, and a citizen activist," with limited information available online, so most of her positions are unknown. But she doesn't look likely to Constitutionally limit our government.

TPM is not endorsing in this race.

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## Supporters/Endorsements include:

## Who This Candidate Supports:

## Other Topics/ Actions/Positions held